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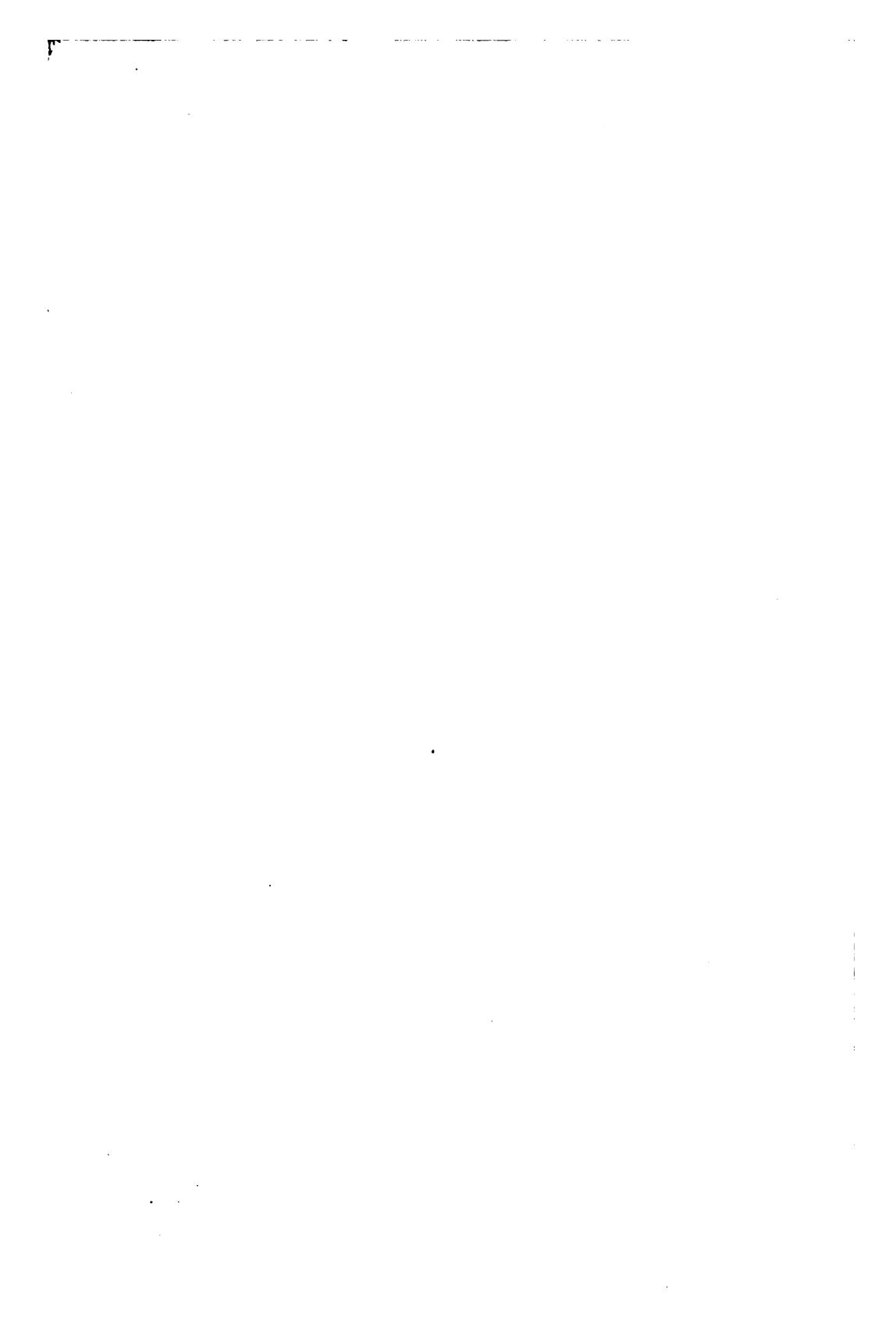
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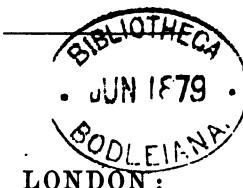
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INTRODUCTION.

THE GREEK DIALECTS.

THE Greek Dialects are those provincial peculiarities of speech which distinguished the inhabitants of different districts speaking the Greek language. All the Aryan tribes who settled themselves in Greece, the islands of the Grecian Archipelago, and the Western Coast of Asia Minor, originally spoke a common language, from which subsequently arose the several provincial forms called Dialects.

These Dialects are as follows:—

ÆOLIC, with the two varieties, **LESBIAN** and **BOEOTIAN**. The former was used by Sappho and Alcæus, the latter by Myrtis and Corinna.

DORIC, spoken by the Dorians. It is essentially the Dialect used by Pindar and Theocritus.

IONIC, comprising the **OLD IONIC**, the **NEW IONIC**, and the **ATTIC**.

The **OLD IONIC** is substantially the Dialect of the Homeric Poems, in which there are also a few **Æolic** and several **Doric**

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Philip of Macedon and

Alexander (previously to which each independent state used its
own Dialect), the ATTIC, but not in its pure form, became the
general language of the whole country. This common Greek
Dialect (*ἡ κοινὴ διάλεκτος*) became in turn distinct from the
ATTIC.

The Greek Testament and the Septuagint are examples of
this Dialect in its degenerate state.

EXAMPLES OF ELISION, SYNIZESIS, ETC. IN HOMER.

Elision, of which Apostrophe (') is the sign, is used in the following cases:—

ai in the verbal endings *-μαι*, *-ται*, *-νται*, *-σθαι*: as *βούλομ' ἐγώ, ἀρέσθ' ἐπί.*

oi in *σοι* and *μοι*.

a without limitation.

ε in all terminations, except *-ζε* and opt. *-ειε*. The *ε* of *ιδε* is never elided.

ι in the personal endings *-ασι*, *-ρσι*, *-ησι*, *-ουσι*, *-ωσι*, and occasionally in the Dat. sing., and *ὅτι*, *that*; never in *περί*, *τί*.

ο in *τοῦτο*, *δύο*, *ἀπό*, *ὑπό*, and the verbal endings *-το*, *-ντο*. Exceptions, *τό* and *πρό*.

ύ is never elided.

Synizesis, which is the coalition of two vowel-sounds into one, is most frequently found when *ε* is the first of the two vowels: thus—

<i>ε</i> with <i>a</i> or <i>α</i> , as <i>ἡμέας</i> .	<i>ε</i> with <i>o</i> , as <i>πλέονες</i> .
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<i>ε</i> „ <i>αι</i> „ <i>εσσεαι</i> .	<i>ε</i> „ <i>ω</i> „ <i>πλέων</i> .
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<i>ε</i> „ <i>η</i> „ <i>χρυσέην</i> .	<i>ε</i> „ <i>οι</i> „ <i>θεοῖσιν</i> .
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Other examples are also found.

Crasis is limited to a few cases, chiefly—

aa in *τᾶλλα* for *τὰ ἄλλα*.

αιε „ *κάγω* for *καὶ ἐγώ*.

οα „ *ῶριστος* for *ό ἄριστος*.

οε „ *ούμός* for *ό ἐμός*, *προῦπεμψα* for *προέπεμψα*.

ουε „ *ούνεκα* for *οὐ ἔνεκα*.

Dieresis most frequently occurs in words in which two vowels were originally separated by the digamma, and in their compounds: as *πάϊς* for *πάϜίς*.

Apocope, or the rejection of a short final vowel before a word beginning with a consonant, is common in Homer with the prepositions *ἀνά*, *κατά*, *παρά*, and the conjunction *ἀρά*. It is less frequent in the case of *ἀπό* and *ὑπό*. The final consonant is assimilated to the following consonant.

Contraction.—Contracted vowels are frequently extended: *ā* into *aa*, *η* into *ηη*, *o* into *oo*, *ω* into *ωω*; but principally in contracted verbs.

Metathesis, or the transposition of consonants, takes place in many words, especially in stems containing a liquid, and frequently in the case of *ρ* with a preceding vowel.

Breathing.

The rough breathing is sometimes dropped, when its syllable is strengthened by the insertion of other letters, or altered by inflection: as from *ἄλλομαι* comes *ἄλτο*; *ἡμῖν*, *ἄμμι*; *ἐκηλος*, *εὐκηλος*; *ἰέραξ*, *ἱρηξ*.

HOMERIC DIALECT.

VARIATION OF LETTERS.

VOWELS.

Attic *ā* Homeric *u* : as *αιετός* = ἀετός, *αιεί* = ἀεί, *παραί* = *παρά*.

„ *a* „ *η* : *θωράξ* = *θωράξ*, ἡνεμόεις from ἡνεμος.

„ *ε* „ *ε* ; *δύστετο* = *δύστατο*, *βήστετο* = *βήστατο*, *βέρεθρον* = *βάραθρον*.

„ *ει* „ *η* : *τιθήμενος* = *τιθέμενος*, and especially in nouns in -ευς before a vowel.

ει : *κεινός* = *κενός*, *εῖνεκα* = *ἔνεκα*, *είως* = *ἔως*, *Ἐρμείας* = *Ἐρμέας*. Only before vowels and semi-vowels.

„ *ει* „ *ει* : *ώκεα* = *ώκεία*, *ἀγέρεσθαι* = *ἀγείρεσθαι*.

„ *εο* „ *ευ* : *πλεῦνες* = *πλέονες*.

„ *ευ* „ *ην* : *ην* = *εν*, *ηντε* = *εντε*, *ηνκομος* = *ενκομος*.

„ *η* „ *ε* : in subj. mood, as *εἰδετε* = *εἰδητε*.

„ *ι* „ *η* : *ἐπήβολος*, compound of *ἐπί* and *βάλλω*.

„ *ο* „ *υ* : *ἄλλυδις* from *ἄλλο*.

ω : before vowels and semi-vowels, as *Διώνυσος* = *Διόνυσος*, *δύω* = *δύο*, *τρωχάω* = *τροχάω*.

οι : *ποιή* = *πόα*, *πνοιή* = *πνοή*.

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Attic *o* Homeric *ou* : *νοῦσος* = *νόσος*, *οὐλόμενος* = *ὸλόμενος*,
Οὐλυμπος = "Ολυμπος".

„ *ou* „ *o* : *βόλεται* = *βούλεται*, *τρίπος* = *τρίπους*.
 „ *ω* „ *o* : occasionally in nouns, and when it is
 the characteristic vowel of the subj., as
ἴομεν = *ἴωμεν*.

REJECTION OF VOWELS.

a at the beginning of words.

ε in *κεῖνος* for *ἐκεῖνος*, *κεῖθεν* for *ἐκεῖθεν*, *ρύεσθαι* for *ἐρύεσθαι*.

ε from *ει* in *ἴκελος* for *εἴκελος*.

a and *ε* in the middle of words.

CHANGE OF CONSONANTS.

Attic *σ* = Homeric *δ* : *ὸδμή* = *ὸσμή*, *ἴδμεν* = *ἴσμεν*
ξ : *ξύν* = *σύν*.

„ *θ* = „ *τ* : *αὐτις* = *αὐθις*.

„ *σ* = „ *θ* : *κεκορυθμένος* = *κεκορυσμένος*.

σσ and *τ* are interchanged, as *λίστομαι* and *λίτομαι*.

ρ after the augment for the sake of metre is not doubled.

CONSONANTS INSERTED.

μ before labials to strengthen the syllable.

ν before *θ* in aor. 1 pass. : as *ἀμπνύνθη*, *κρινθέντες*, for *κριθ.*, and
 before other letters : as *νώνυμνος* for *νώνυμος*.

σ in *σικρός* for *μικρός*, *ἐσπόμεσθα* for *ἐπόμεθα*.

τ in *πόλις*, *πόλεμος*, and their derivatives, *πτόλις*, *πτόλεμος*.

CONSONANTS DOUBLED IN ORDER TO LENGTHEN THE VOWELS.

π in $\delta\pi\pi\omega\varsigma$; τ in $\delta\tau\tau\iota$, $\delta\tau\tau\epsilon\omega$; κ in $\pi\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\kappa\kappa\varphi$.

λ after the augment in $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\lambda\alpha\beta\epsilon$, $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\lambda\iota\sigma\acute{a}m\eta\varsigma$, &c.

μ in $\dot{\alpha}m\mu\omega\varsigma$, $\dot{\epsilon}m\mu\omega\epsilon$; ν in $\dot{\epsilon}n\mu\epsilon\pi\epsilon$.

ρ after the augment in some words.

σ in $\delta\sigma\sigma\varsigma$, $\delta\pi\iota\sigma\sigma\omega$, in $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\sigma\epsilon\omega\alpha$ after augment, in term. $\sigma\iota$ in third decl., as $\nu\acute{e}k\epsilon\nu\sigma\sigma\iota$; in places where δ is dropped before σ , as $\phi\acute{r}a\sigma\sigma\omega\mu\alpha$ for $\phi\acute{r}a\delta\text{-}\sigma\omega\mu\alpha$.

VOWELS INSERTED TO EXTEND A WORD.

α before α : as $\dot{\alpha}\rho\acute{a}\dot{\alpha}\varsigma$ for $\dot{\alpha}\rho\dot{\alpha}\varsigma$, $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\acute{a}\alpha\iota\alpha$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\acute{a}\alpha\iota\alpha\iota\alpha$. Also $\alpha\iota$ before $\alpha\iota$, as $\dot{\epsilon}\kappa\alpha\acute{r}a\alpha\iota\alpha\iota\alpha$ from $\kappa\alpha\acute{r}a\alpha\iota\alpha$.

η „ η : $\dot{\eta}\eta\eta\eta$ for $\dot{\eta}\eta\eta$, $\theta\dot{\eta}\dot{\eta}\dot{\eta}\dot{\eta}$ for $\theta\dot{\eta}\dot{\eta}\dot{\eta}$.

\circ „ ω : $\dot{\delta}\rho\dot{\delta}\omega$ for $\dot{\delta}\rho\dot{\delta}$, $\beta\circ\delta\omega\sigma\iota$ for $\beta\circ\delta\omega\sigma\iota$, $\phi\circ\omega\varsigma$ for $\phi\circ\omega\varsigma$.

ω „ ω : $\dot{\eta}\beta\acute{w}\omega\sigma\alpha$ for $\dot{\eta}\beta\acute{w}\omega\sigma\alpha$, $\pi\alpha\alpha\delta\beta\acute{w}\omega\sigma\iota$ for $\pi\alpha\alpha\delta\beta\acute{w}\omega\sigma\iota$.

\circ after ω : $\delta\omega\omega\mu\epsilon\nu$ for $\delta\omega\omega\mu\epsilon\nu$, $\mu\nu\omega\omega\mu\epsilon\nu\varphi$ for $\mu\nu\omega\omega\mu\epsilon\nu\varphi$.

In Homer open syllables are often due to the disappearance of a primitive consonant, as $\dot{\epsilon}\epsilon\delta\eta\alpha$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\epsilon}\delta\eta\alpha$, $\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\delta\eta\alpha\iota\alpha$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\delta\eta\alpha\iota\alpha$, $\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\iota\sigma\varsigma$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\iota\sigma\varsigma$, $\dot{\epsilon}\alpha$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\alpha$ (cp. Lat. *eram*), $\dot{\epsilon}\eta\eta$ for $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\eta\eta$, $\dot{\eta}\acute{e}\lambda\iota\iota\varsigma$ for $\dot{\alpha}\acute{e}\lambda\iota\iota\varsigma$.

THE DECLENSIONS.

Besides the case-endings peculiar to itself, the Homeric Dialect employs a suffix, $\phi\iota(\nu)$, added to the stem of the word, and supplying the place of the Gen. or Dat. termination both in sing. and plural.

First Declension.

Singular.		Plural.	
Attic.	Homeric.	Attic.	Homeric.
N. \bar{a}	η^1		
G. $\bar{a}\varsigma$	$\eta\varsigma$	G. $\tilde{\omega}\nu$	$\bar{a}'\omega\nu, \tilde{\omega}\nu, \acute{\epsilon}\omega\nu.$
	$\left\{ \begin{matrix} \bar{a}\omega \\ \omega \\ \epsilon\omega \end{matrix} \right.$	D. $a\iota\varsigma$	$\eta\sigma\iota(\nu), \eta\varsigma.$
A. $\bar{a}\nu$	$\eta\nu$		

Second Declension.

Singular.		Plural.	
Attic.	Homeric.	Attic.	Homeric.
G. $\omega\nu$	$\omega\omega, [\omega\omega], \omega\nu.$	D. $\omega\iota\varsigma$	$\omega\sigma\iota(\nu).$

Dual.

G. and D. Attic $-\omega\nu$ is Homeric $-\omega\omega\nu$.

¹ Except θεά, *a goddess*, and some proper nouns in $\bar{a}\varsigma$. Short a is generally unchanged, except in the case of abstract substantives in $\epsilon\bar{a}\bar{a}$, $\omega\bar{a}\bar{a}$: as $\delta\lambda\eta\theta\epsilon\bar{a}$ for Attic $\delta\lambda\eta\theta\epsilon\bar{a}$, $\epsilon\bar{v}\lambda\omega\bar{a}$. Also $\kappa\bar{v}\sigma\bar{v}\bar{v}$ for $\kappa\bar{v}\sigma\bar{v}\bar{v}$, and $\Sigma\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}$ for $\Sigma\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}$. Some masculines used as epithets end in \bar{a} ; as $\iota\pi\pi\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}$ for $\iota\pi\pi\bar{v}\bar{v}\bar{v}$.

1. Homer once uses *νοῦς*, the contracted form of *νόος*. In all other cases we find the open form.

2. In Homer some proper names in -ως have a Gen. ending ο: as Gen. *Πηνελεῶο*, from Nom. *Πηνελεω-*ς.

Third Declension.

For the Attic Dat. plural in -σι(ν) Homer also used -σσι(ν), and for -οιν in the Gen. and Dat. dual, -οιν.

In syncopated words, like ἀνήρ, G. ἀνέρος, ἀνδρός, γαστήρ, &c., Homer either retains or rejects the ε as occasion requires. Other differences in form will be best seen from the following tables:—

TERMINATIONS AND EXAMPLES.

CONTRACTED NOUNS.

-ος, Neut. Gen. -εος.		Example.	
Sing.	Plural.	Sing.	Plural.
N. -ος	N. -εα ¹	N. γένος	N. γένεα ¹
G. -εος or ευς	G. -εων, εσφι(ν)	G. γένεος,	G. γενέων
		γένευς	
D. -ει or -εῖ	D. -εσσι, -εεσσι, -εσφι(ν)	D. γένεῖ, γένει	D. γενέεσσι(ν), γένεσφι(ν)
A. -ος	A. -εα	A. γένος	A. γένεα

¹ Often pronounced *γίνεα* by Synæresis.

-ις, and *ι*, Gen. *-ιος* (Att. *εως*).

Sing.	Plural.	Sing.	Plural.
N. <i>-ις</i>	N. <i>-ιες</i>	N. <i>πόλις</i> ,	N. <i>πόλιες</i> ,
		<i>πτόλις</i>	<i>πτόλης</i>
G. <i>-ιος</i>	G. <i>-ιων</i>	G. <i>πόλιος</i> ,	G. <i>πολίων</i> ,
		<i>πόληος</i>	
D. <i>-ι</i>	D. <i>-ιεσσι</i>	D. <i>πόλι</i> , <i>πόλει</i>	D. <i>πολίεσσι(ν)</i> ,
			<i>πόληι</i> , <i>πτόλει</i>
A. <i>-ιν</i>	A. <i>-ις</i> or <i>-ιας</i>	A. <i>πόλιν</i> ,	A. <i>πόλιας</i> , <i>πό-</i>
		<i>πτόλιν</i>	<i>λις</i> , <i>πόληας</i>

-ας, Gen. *-αος*.

Sing.	Plural.	Sing.	Plural.
N. <i>-ας</i>	N. <i>-ā</i> , <i>-ā</i>	N. <i>γέρας</i>	N. <i>γέρᾳ</i>
G. <i>-αος</i>	G. <i>-αων</i>	G. <i>γέραος</i>	G. <i>γεράων</i>
D. <i>-αϊ</i> or <i>-αι</i> , <i>-ᾳ</i>	D. <i>-αεσσι(ν)</i> ,	D. <i>γέραϊ</i> , <i>γέραι</i>	D. <i>γεράεσσι(ν)</i> ,
	<i>-ασσι(ν)</i>		<i>γέρασσι(ν)</i>
A. <i>-ας</i>	A. <i>-ā</i> , <i>-ā</i>	A. <i>γέρας</i>	A. <i>γέρᾳ</i>

Homer uses either the open or contracted forms of the Dat. as the verse requires.

-υς, Gen. *-υος*.

Sing.	Plural.
N. <i>-υς</i>	N. <i>-υες</i>
G. <i>-υος</i>	G. <i>-υων</i>
D. <i>-υϊ</i> , <i>-υι</i>	D. <i>-υσσι(ν)</i> ,

Example.

Sing.	Plural.
N. <i>νέκυς</i>	N. <i>νέκυες</i>
G. <i>νέκυος</i> , <i>-υος</i>	G. <i>νεκύων</i>
D. <i>νέκυι</i>	D. <i>νέκυσσι(ν)</i> ,

νέκυσι(ν)
νεκύεσσι(ν)

A. -υν

A. -υας, -υς

A. νέκυν

A. νέκυας, -υας,
(γένυς, ίχ-
θυς, con-
tracted)

-ης and -ες, Gen. -εος.

Sing.	Plural.
N. -ης, -ες	N. -εες, -εις
G. -εος	G. -εων
D. -εϊ, -ει	D. -εσι(ν), -εσσι(ν)
A. -εα, -εα	A. -εας, -εας

Sing.	Plural.
N. εύώδης	N. εύώδεες, εύώδεις
G. εύώδεος	G. εύωδέων
D. εύώδει, εύώδει	D. εύώδεσι(ν), -εσσι(ν)
A. εύώδεα, εύώδεα	A. εύώδεας, εύώδεας

In proper names in -κλέης, as Ἡρακλέης, the εε becomes η in oblique cases, as G. Ἡρακλῆος, D. -ηϊ, A. -ηα, V. -εῖς.

-ευς, Gen. -εος.

Sing.	Plural.
N. -ευς	N. -ηες
G. -ηος, -εος	G. -ηων
D. -ηϊ, -ει	D. -ευσι(ν), -ηεσσι(ν)
A. -ηα, -εα, -η	A. -ηας

Example.

Sing.	Plural.
N. βασιλεύς	N. βασιλῆες
G. βασιλῆος	G. βασιλήων
D. βασιλῆϊ	D. βασιλεύσι(ν) [ἀριστήεσσι(ν)]
A. βασιλῆα	A. βασιλῆας
V. βασιλεῦ	

N. Τυδεύς

N. Πηλεύς

N. Ἀχιλεύς N. Ὀδυσσεύς (σσ)

'Αχιλλεύς

G. Τυδέος

G. Πηλῆος
Πηλέος

G. Ἀχιλῆος G. Ὀδυσῆος (σσ)

'Αχιλλῆος

'Οδυσσεῦς

'Οδυσσέος

D. Τυδεῖ	D. Πηλῆι	D. Ἀχιλῆι	D. Ὁδυσῆι
	Πηλεῖ	Ἀχιλῆι, -εῖ	Ὀδυσεῖ
	Πηλεῖ		
A. Τυδέα	A. Πηλέα	A. Ἀχιλῆα	A. Ὁδυσῆα (σσ)
Τυδῆ		Ἀχιλῆα	Ὀδυσσέα
			Ὀδυσῆ
		V. Ἀχιλεῦ	V. Ὁδυσεῦ (σσ)
		Ἀχιλλεῦ	

Nouns in *ως*, Gen. *ωτος*, drop *τ* of Dat. and Acc. sing., and contract the vowels: as *ἰδρῶ* = *ἰδρῶτα*, *ἰδρῷ* = *ἰδρῶτι*, *γέλω* = *γέλωτα*, *γέλῳ* = *γέλωτι*. *Χρώς* has always Gen. *χροός*, Dat. *χροῖ*, Acc. *χρόα*, except *χρωτός* once, and *χρῶτα* once.

Nouns in *-ων*, Gen. *-ωνος*, sometimes take the short vowel *ο*: as, *Κρονίων*, Gen. *Κρονίωνος* and *-ίονος*.

Nouns in *-ως*, Gen. *-ωος*, use the open form. But the following contracted forms occur: D. *ἥρω* [A. *ἥρω*], A. *Μίνω*.

ANOMALOUS SUBSTANTIVES.

N. *Ἄρης*, *the god Ares*.

G.	" <i>Ἄρηος</i>	" <i>Ἄρεος</i>
D. <i>"Ἄρει</i>	" <i>Ἄρηϊ</i>	" <i>Ἄρεϊ</i>
A. <i>"Ἄρην</i>	" <i>Ἄρην</i>	
V.	" <i>Ἄρες</i>	" <i>Ἄρες</i>

Singular.

N. *βοῦς*, *ox*.

G. *βοός*

A. *βοῦν* [βῶν ?]

Dual.

N. *βόει*

G. *βοῶν*

D. *βουσί(ν)*, *βόεσσι(ν)*

A. *βόας*, *βοῦς*.

Plural.

N. *βόεις*

G. *βοῶν*

D. *βουσί(ν)*, *βόεσσι(ν)*

Singular.	Dual.	Plural.
N. ἄρνειός, <i>a ram.</i>		N. ἄρνες
G. ἄρνειοῦ		G. ἄρνῶν, ἄρνειῶν
D. ἄρνειῷ		D. ἄρνεσσι(ν), ἄρνειοῖς
A. ἄρνα, ἄρνειόν	A. ἄρνε	A. ἄρνας, ἄρνειούς.

Singular.	Plural.
N. γόνν, <i>knee.</i>	N. γοῦνα, γούνατα
G. γοννός, γούνατος	G. γούνων
D.	D. γούνεσσι(ν), γούνασι(-ασσι)
A. γόνν	A. γοῦνα, γούνατα.

N. γρῆνς, γρῆνς, <i>an old woman.</i>
G. γραίης
D. γρη̄
A.
V. γρῆν, γρῆν.

Singular.	Plural.
N. δαΐς, <i>banquet.</i>	N. δαΐτες
G. δαιτός, δαίτης, δαιτύος	G. δαιτῶν
D. δαιτί	D. δαίτησι
A. δαίτα, δαίτην	A. δαίτας.

N. δέος, <i>fear.</i>
G. δέίους.

Singular.	Dual.	Plural.
N. δόρυ, <i>spear.</i>	N. δοῦρε	N. δοῦρα, δούρατα
G. δουρός, δούρατος		G. δούρων
D. δουρί, δούρατι		D. δούρεσσι(ν), δούρασι(ν)
A. δόρυ	A. δοῦρε	A. δοῦρα, δούρατα.

Singular.	Plural.
N. [κάρ], κάρη, <i>the head.</i>	N. κάρα, καρήατα, κάρηνα
G. κάρητος, καρήατος, κρατός, κράατος	G. κρατῶν, καρήνων
D. κάρητι, καρήατι, κρατί, κράατι	D. κρασί, κράτεσφι
A. κάρη, κράατα	A. κράατα, κάρηνα.

Stems : κάρατ, κάρηατ, κράατ, κράτ, κάρηνο.

Singular.	Dual.	Plural.
N. λᾶας, <i>a stone.</i>	N. λᾶε	
G. λᾶος		G. λάων
D. λᾶι		D. λάεσσι(ν)
A. λᾶαν.		

Singular.	Dual.	Plural.
N. νηῆς		N. νηες, νέες
G. νηός, νεός	N. A. V. νῆε	G. νηῶν, νεῶν, ναῦφιν
D. νηῖ	G. D. νεοῖν	D. νησσί, νήεσσι, ναῦφιν
A. νῆα, νέα		A. νηας, νέας.

We have the form ναυσί in the compounds ναυσικλειτός and ναυσικλυτός.

Singular.	Plural.
N. ὄϊς, <i>sheep.</i>	N. ὄϊες
G. ὄϊος, οἰός	G. ὄϊων
D.	D. ὄϊεσσιν, οἰεσιν, ὄεσσιν
A. ὄϊν, ὄīν	A. ὄϊς.

Singular.	Plural.
N. οὖς, <i>the ear.</i>	N. οῦατα
G. οὐατος	G.
D.	D. οῦασι
A. οὖς	A. οῦατα.

N. Πάτροκλος
 G. Πατρόκλου, -οιο, -ηος
 D. Πατρόκλῳ
 A. Πάτροκλον, -ῆα
 V. Πάτροκλε, -εις.

Singular.	Plural.
N. <i>σπέος</i> , <i>a cave</i> .	N.
G. <i>σπείους</i>	G. <i>σπείων</i>
D. <i>σπῆ</i>	D. <i>σπέσσι</i> , <i>σπῆ</i>
A. <i>σπέος</i> , <i>σπείος</i>	A.

Singular.	Plural.
N. <i>vīós</i> , <i>a</i> son.	N. <i>vīεs</i> , <i>vīéεs</i> , <i>vīεīç</i>
G. <i>vīov</i> , <i>vīloç</i> , <i>vīéoc</i>	G. <i>vīώv</i> , <i>vīéώv</i>
D. <i>vīl</i> , <i>vīéi</i> , <i>vīéī</i>	D. <i>vīoīσiv</i> , <i>vīáσiv</i>
A. <i>vīón</i> , <i>vīa</i> , <i>vīéa</i>	A. <i>vīoúç</i> , <i>vīlaç</i> , <i>vīéaç</i>
V. <i>vīé</i>	V. <i>vīεç</i> , <i>vīéic</i>

Dual, N. *vłę.*

Singular.	Plural.
N. $\chi\epsilon\iota\rho$, <i>the hand.</i>	.
D. $\chi\epsilon\rho\iota$	D. $\chi\epsilon\rho\epsilon\sigma\iota\nu$ and $\chi\epsilon\rho\epsilon\sigma\sigma\iota\nu$
A. $\chi\epsilon\rho\alpha$.	

ADJECTIVES.

νς, εια, υ. In Homer we sometimes find $\epsilon\eta$ for Attic $\epsilon\alpha$: as $\beta\alpha\theta\epsilon\eta$ ($\beta\alpha\theta\epsilon\alpha$, *deep*); sometimes also $\epsilon\alpha$: as $\omega\kappa\epsilon\alpha$ ($\omega\kappa\epsilon\alpha$, *swift*).

In the Gen. and Dat. $\epsilon\eta\varsigma$ and $\epsilon\eta$ replace $\epsilon\iota\alpha\varsigma$ and $\epsilon\iota\alpha$.

εὐρύς in Homer has Acc. εὐρέα in the phrases εὐρέα πόντον and εὐρέα κόλπον; elsewhere εὐρύν.

The forms *θῆλυς*, *ἡδύς*, and *πουλύς* are sometimes feminine.

ἥεις, ἥεσσα, ἥεν. The contracted form *ἥς*, *ἥσσα*, *ἥν* is used, but rarely.

όεις, οεσσα, οεν. The οε is contracted to εν in λωτεῦντα. Epic for Neut. οεν is οειν.

In Homer, besides *πολλός*, *πολλή*, *πολλόν*, declined regularly like *καλός*, we also find the following forms:—

Singular.		Plural.
Masculine.	Neuter.	
N. πολύς, πουλύς	πολύ, πουλύ	N. πολέες [πολεῖς]
G. πολέος		G. πολέων
D.		D. πολέσι, πολέσσι, πολέεσσι
Ἄ. πολύν, πουλύν	πολύ, πουλύ	A. πολέας.

The forms of $\xi\mu\zeta$, *noble*, are:—

N. ἔνες or ἔνες	ηνε
G. ἔνος	Gen. plural, ἔαων, of good things.
A. ἔνν, ἔνν	

The neut. *ἡνῦ* is only used in the phrase *μένος* *ἡνῦ*.

The adv. is *εῦ*, but sometimes *ἥν* in compounds.

$\eta\varsigma$, $\epsilon\varsigma$. Homer uses a fem. form $\epsilon\iota\alpha$ in compounds.

COMPARISON.

(1) *ώτερος*, *ώτατος*, are sometimes used for *ότερος*, *ότατος*, for the sake of the metre: as *κακοξεινώτερος*, *λαρώτερος*, *διζυρώτατος*.

(2) Adjectives in *ν* and *ρος* have comparative in *ιων* and superlative in *ιωτος*, as well as the regular forms.

ANOMALOUS FORMS.

<i>ἀγαθός</i>	<i>ἀρείων</i> , <i>βέλτερος</i> , <i>φέρτερος</i> , [λώιον, λώιτερον only in Neut.]	<i>κάρτιστος</i> <i>φέρτατος</i> , <i>φέριστος</i>
<i>κακός</i>	<i>κακώτερος</i> , <i>κακίων</i> , <i>χειρότερος</i> , <i>χερείων</i> , <i>χερειότερος</i> , <i>ησσων</i>	<i>κάκιστος</i> <i>ηκιστος?</i>
<i>όλιγος</i>	[<i>ὑπ</i>]ολίζονες	
<i>ρηγίδιος</i>	<i>ρήγιτερος</i>	<i>ρήγιστος</i> , <i>ρήγιτατος</i>
<i>βραδύς</i>		<i>βάρδιστος</i>
<i>βραχύς</i>	<i>βράσσων</i>	
<i>παχύς</i>	<i>πάσσων</i>	
<i>μακρός</i>	<i>μάσσων</i>	<i>μήκιστος</i>

Πλέων, Neut. *πλεῖον*, the comparative of *πολύς*, has the following forms in the plural:—

N. <i>πλέες</i> , <i>πλέονες</i> , <i>πλείονες</i>	
<i>πλείους</i>	
G. <i>πλεόνων</i>	N.A. Neut. <i>πλείονα</i>
D. <i>πλεόνεσσι</i> , <i>πλείοσι</i>	
A. <i>πλέας</i> , <i>πλέονας</i>	

Singular.	Plural.
N. χερείων, χείρων, χεῖρον	
G. χέρηος, χερείονος, χείρονος	N. χέρηες, χείρονες
D. χέρης, χερείονι, χείρονι	Neut. χέρηα, χείρονα,
A. χέρηα, χερείονα, χείρονα	χερείονα
χερείω.	

NUMERALS.

CARDINAL.

Besides the regular forms of εἷς, Homer occasionally uses ἵης = μῆς, ἵῃ = μῆ, ἵαν = μλαν, ἵψ = ἐνι.

δύο. The epic forms of δύο are :—

N. δύω, δύο	δοιώ	δοιοί, αί, á
G. δύω, δύο		
D. δύω, δύο		δοιοῖς, δοιοῖσι
A. δύω, δύο	δοιώ	δοιούς, ἀς, á.

Alongside of τέσσαρες, -ας, Homer also uses the Æolic form, πτῆσυρες, -ας.

Besides δώδεκα, Homer has δυώδεκα and δυοκαλδεκα.

εἴκοσι and ἑείκοσι are both found.

τρίτος	= τρίτατος.
τέταρτος	= τέτρατος.
ἕννατος	= ἔννατος, εἴννατος.
ἕβδομος	= ἔβδόματος.
Ὀγδοος	= ὡγδόατος.
πρῶτος	= πρόμος.

PRONOUNS.

PERSONAL.

ἐγώ.

Singular.	Dual.	Plural.
N. ἐγών, ἐγώ	N. νῶι, νώ	N. ἄμμες, ἡμεῖς
G. ἐμεῖο, ἐμέο, ἐμεῦ, μεν, ἐμέθεν	G. νῶιν	G. ἀμμέων, ἡμέων, ἡμείων
D. ἐμοί, μοι	D. νῶιν	D. ἄμμιν, ἡμῖν, ἡμαν
A. ἐμέ, με	A. νῶι, νώ	A. ἄμμε, ἡμέας, ἡμᾶς, ἡμας.

σύ.

N. σύ, τοῦ νη	N. σφῶι, σφώ	N. ὑμμες, ὑμεῖς
G. σεῖο, σέο, σεῦ, τεῖο, σέθεν	G. σφῶιν	G. ὑμμέων, ὑμείων
D. σοῖ, τοῖ, τεῖν	D. σφῶιν	D. ὑμμιν, ὑμῖν (ὑμιν)
A. σέ	A. σφῶι, σφώ	A. ὑμμε, ὑμέας

οὗ.

G. ἔο, εἴο, εῖν, ἔθεν [εινι, εινις]	G. σφωῖν	G. σφέων, σφείων, σφῶν
D. ἔοι, οἱ, ἴν, σφίν	D. σφωῖν	D. σφίσι(ν), σφιν, σφι, σφ'
A. ἔε, ἔ, μίν	A. σφωέ	A. σφε, σφέας, σφᾶς.

Note.—ἔ is used for αὐτόν, αὐτήν, αὐτό.

1. In Homer, the forms of the article which begin with *τ* are used instead of those of the relative: *τοῦ* = *οῦ*, *τῷ* = *ῷ*, *τοῖς* = *οῖς*. Also, *τοῖ*, *ταῖ* = *οῖ*, *αῖ*. We also find *δ* = *δς*, *δου* = *οῦ*, *ἡς* = *ἥς*, *ἥσι*, *ἥς* = *αῖς*.

2. The Homeric *δοτε* or *δτε* is hardly to be distinguished from *δς*.

τις. Indefinite.

Sing.	Plural.	Sing.	Plural.
N. <i>τις</i> , <i>τι</i>	D. <i>τέοισι</i>	N. <i>τίς</i> , <i>τί</i>	G. <i>τέων</i>
G. <i>τεο</i> , <i>τεν</i>	A. <i>ἄσσα</i>	G. <i>τεό</i> , <i>τεῦ</i>	D. <i>τέοισι</i>
D. <i>τεψ</i> , <i>τψ</i>			

δοτις.

Singular.

N. <i>δτις</i> , <i>δττι</i>	N. <i>δττι</i>
G. <i>δτεν</i> , <i>δττεο</i> , <i>δτεο</i> , <i>δττεν</i>	G. <i>δτέων</i>
D. <i>δτεψ</i> , <i>δτψ</i>	D. <i>δτέοισι</i>
A. <i>δτινα</i>	A. <i>δτινας</i> , <i>ἄσσα</i> .

The other forms are the same as in Attic.

The Possessive pronouns have the following Epic forms:—

ἀμός, *ἥ*, *όν* = *ἥμέτερος*.

τεός, *τεή*, *τεόν* = *σός*.

έός, *έή*, *έόν* = *δς* (*συνς*).

ὑμός, *ἥ*, *όν* = *ἥμέτερος*.

σφός, *ἥ*, *όν*, Dat. plural, *σφοῖσι* = *σφέτερος*.

νωίτερος, *α*, *ον*.

σφωίτερος, *α*, *ον*.

Reflexive Pronouns.—The compound forms *ἐμαυτοῦ*, *σεαυτοῦ*, *εαυτοῦ*, are not used by Homer. He supplies their place by declining together the personal pronoun and the pronoun *αὐτός*; *ἐμέ αὐτὸν* = *ἐμαυτόν*, *οῖ αὐτῷ* = *εαυτῷ*, &c.

VERBS.

AUGMENTS.

1. The *Syllabic Augment* may be rejected or retained at pleasure. Its use is determined by the measure of the verse, the rhythm, or euphony.

The iteratives ending in *-σκον*, *-σκόμην* never receive the augment.

2. The use of the *Temporary Augment* is as arbitrary as that of the Syllabic.

The following verbs beginning with a vowel sometimes take the Syllabic Augment in Homer:—

ἀνδάνω	εῖλω	ἔννυμ
εἰδομαι	εῖρω	εἰπον
εἰμι, <i>I shall go</i>	εῖσα	

REDUPLICATION.

1. Reduplication in Homer is not confined to the Perf. and Pluperf. tenses, but is also used in the Aor. and Fut.

2. Reduplication is found, in addition to the common cases, in :—

1. The Future : as *κεκαδήσω*, *διδώσω*.

2. The Aorist Second, Act. and Mid., and with the reduplication continued through the moods: as *κεκάμω* from *κάμνω*, *πεπίθοιμεν* from *πείθω*, *λελαβέσθαι* from *λαμβάνω..*

3. The Syllabic Augment is in some cases added to the reduplication : as *ἐπέφραδεν* from *φράζω*, *ἐκέκλετο*, syncopated for *ἐκεκέλετο*.

4. The following verbs in Epic have the Attic reduplication in Second Aorist and Perfect:—

Second Aorists.

ἢκαχον, ἀκαχών, from [ἀχέω].
 ἄλαλκον, ἀλαλκεῖν, from [ἄλέκω].
 ἔραρον, ἀραρών, from [ἀραρίσκω].
 ἔπαφον, ἀπαφοίμην, from [ἀπαφίσκω].
 ἐνένιπον, ἡνῖπαπον, from ἐνίπτω.
 ὕρορε, from δρυνμι.
 ἡρῦ'κακον, ἐρῦκακέειν, from ἐρῦ'κω.

Perfects and Pluperfects.

ἀκαχμένος, from [ἄκω obsol.].
 ἄλάλημαι, ἀλάλησθαι, from ἄλαομαι.
 ἀνήνοθε, from [ἀνέθω]; ἐπενήνοθε, from [ἐνέθω].
 ἄρηρα, ἀρηρώς, ἀραρνία, from [ἄρω].
 ἄρήροται, from ἄρω.
 ἀκήχεμαι, 3 pers. plural ἀκηχέδαται, ἀκάχησθαι, from ἄχω.
 ἐγρηγόρθασι, ἐγρήγορθε, from ἐγείρω.
 ἐδηδώς, ἐδήδομαι, from [ἴδω].
 ἐληλαμένος, ἐληλάδατο, -έδατο, from ἐλάω.
 ἐμνήμυκε, from ἡμύω.
 ἐρηρέδαται, from ἐρείδω.
 ἐρέριπτο, from ἐρείπω.
 ὀδώδειν, from δζω.
 συνοχώκατε [σκωχα], from ἔχω.
 οἴχωκα, παρώχηκεν, from οἴχομαι.
 ὀρώρεται, subj. ὀρώρηται, from δρυνμι.

TENSE ENDINGS.

ACTIVE.

Present Tense.

Subjunctive.

Optative.

Sing. 1 -μι : as λύωμι = λύω	1
2 -θα : as λυρθα = λύς	2 -θα : as λυοῖσθα = λύοις
3 -σι : as λύρσι = λύρ.	3

Note 1.—The Second Aorist follows the Pres. in these endings.

Note 2.—The long vowels of the Plural and Dual of the Subjunctive are often shortened in Homer.

Pluperfect.

Sing. 1 -εα = η, ειν : as λελύκεα for λελύκη, -ειν
2 -εας, -ης = εις
3 -εε, -ει = ει.

Infinitive.

Pres. -έμεναι, -έμεν : as πινέμεναι, πινέμεν, for πίνειν.

PASSIVE AND MIDDLE.

Present Tense.

Indicative.

Imperative.

Subjunctive.

Sing. 2 -εαι = -η	-εο, -ευ = -ου	-ηαι, -εαι = -η
3 -εται	= -νται	Also, -οίατο = -οιντο.

Plur. 1 -μεσθα = -μεθα

3 -αται = -νται. Also, -οίατο = -οιντο.

Imperfect.

Sing. 2 - $\epsilon\omega$, - $\epsilon\nu$ = - $\omega\nu$ Plur. 1 - $\mu\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha$ = - $\mu\epsilon\theta\alpha$ 3 - $\alpha\tau\omega$ = - $\omega\nu\tau\omega$

Perfect and Pluperfect.

Plur. 1 - $\mu\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha$ = - $\mu\epsilon\theta\alpha$ 3 - $\alpha\tau\alpha\iota$ = - $\nu\tau\alpha\iota$, - $\mu\epsilon\nu\alpha\iota$ εισι.

Future Middle.

Indic. Sing. 2 - $\epsilon\alpha\iota$ = - η .

Aorist Middle.

Sing. 2 - $\alpha\omega$ = - ω . Plur. 1 - $\mu\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha$ = - $\mu\epsilon\theta\alpha$. 3 - $\alpha\acute{\iota}\alpha\tau\omega$ = - $\alpha\nu\tau\omega$.

Aorist Passive.

Sing. 1 - $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\omega$ = - ω	Plur. 1 - $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\omega\mu\epsilon\nu$ = - $\omega\mu\epsilon\nu$
2 - $\eta\gamma\varsigma$ = - $\eta\varsigma$	2 - $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$ = - $\eta\tau\epsilon$
3 - $\eta\gamma\gamma$ = - ζ	

Infinitive Mood.

Aor. - $\mu\epsilon\nu\alpha\iota$, - $\mu\epsilon\nu$ = - $\nu\alpha\iota$.

General Remarks on the Verbal Forms.

The ending *θα* (an old form) is found in the 2nd pers. sing. Indicative of verbs in *μ*, as *διδοῖσθα* for *διδοῖς*; and frequently in the Subj. and Opt. of other verbs, as *ἐθέλησθα* for *ἐθέλης*, *βάλοισθα* for *βάλοις*.

The 2nd sing. Pass. takes either the uncontracted forms *-εαι*, *-ηαι*, *-εο*, *-αο*, or the contracted forms *-η* (from *-εαι*, *-ηαι*), *-εν* (from *-εο*), or *-ω* (from *-αο*).

The endings *-εεαι* and *-εο* stand by the side of forms in *-εαι* and *-εο*.

The Subj. 3rd sing. may have the ending *-σι* affixed: as *φέρησι* for *φέρη*.

The Infinitive is formed by connecting *-μεναι* or *-μεν* to the stem by an accented ε: as *ἀμυνέμεναι*, *ἀμυνέμεν* for *ἀμύνειν*.

Of verbs pure, note *οὐτάμεναι* and *οὐτάμεν* for *οὐτάν*.

The Imperfect and Aorist Indicative take the iterative endings *-σκον*, *-σκόμην*: as *μένεσκον*, *ρίπτασκον*, *καλέεσκον*, *ρήγνυσκον*, *ἐρητύσασκε*.

Imperfect.

In the 2nd sing. *-εο*, *-εν* are used for *ον*.

Sometimes *-τον* and *-σθον* are used for *-την* and *-σθην* in the 3rd Dual.

The εε of the Imperf. is contracted to η (not ει) in the forms *όμαρτήτην* (*όμαρτέω*), *ἀπειλήτην* (*ἀπειλέω*), and *δορπήτην* (*δορπέω*).

Future.

Many pure verbs form a future without σ: as *τελέει* for

τελέσει ; κορέεις for κορέσεις ; ἐρύω for ἐρύσω ; τανύω for τανύσω .

Aorist.

Some liquid verbs have σ in the 1st Aor. : as κείρω, ἔκερσα ; [ἀρω], ἥρσα .

Some verbs which have σ in the Fut. form 1st Aor. without it : as χέω, Fut. χεύσω, Aor. ἔχενα or ἔχεα ; καίω, Fut. καύσω, Aor. ἔκηα or ἔκεια .

The 3rd plur. Aorists 1st and 2nd Pass., ending in -ησαν, is often shortened into -εν : as δάμεν for ἐδάμησαν ; ἔκταθεν for ἐκτάθησαν . Once we find -ην (not -εν) in μάνθην ; but it may be for ἐμανθήτην, not ἐμάνθησαν .

In the Infinitive we find the endings -μεναι, -μεν, for -ναι : as ἀναβήμεναι for ἀναβῆναι ; θέμεναι and θέμεν for θεῖναι ; ἀριθμήμεναι (Pass.) for ἀριθμηθῆναι .

The uncontracted form ἔειν is frequently found : as ἴδειν for ἴδεῖν .

Perfect and Pluperfect.

In the Perfect the κ , usually characteristic of pure verbs, is sometimes omitted : as πεφύāσι (for πεφύκāσι), κεκοτηώς .

In the 3rd plural Perf. Pass. -αται is used for -νται : as βέβληται for βέβληνται . And -ατο in the Pluperf. and Opt. for -ντο : as πεφοβήτατο for πεφόβηντο .

The Pluperf. Act. ends in εα, εας, or ης, εεν for ειν or η, εις, ει .

CONTRACTED VERBS.

As a general rule, contraction is adopted or neglected to suit the metre.

VERBS IN -έω.

ACTIVE.

Present.

Indicative.

Sing. 1 ποιέω, κιχέιω ποιέω, -έης, &c. ποιέομι, &c.

Plur. 1 ποιέομεν, ποιεῦμεν

2 ποιέετε, πειθείετε

3 ποιέονται, ποιεῦνται.

Subjunctive.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Sing. 1 } (ἐ)ποίεον, (ἐ)ποίευν Sing. 3 θέεν, ησκεων

Plur. 3 } (ἐ)ποίεσκον, ποιέσκον)

Infinitive, ποιήμεναι.

Participle, ποιέοντος, ποιεῦντος.

PASSIVE.

Present.

Indicative.

Sing. 1 ποιέομαι, ποιεῦμαι

2 ποίειαι

Plur. 1 ποιεόμε(σ)θα, ποιεύμεσθα

3 ποιέονται, ποιεῦνται.

Subjunctive.

Optative.

ποιέωμαι, ποιείμην

-εη, &c.

Imperfect.

Sing. 1 (ἐ)ποιεόμην, (ἐ)ποιεύμην

Plur. 2 (ἐ)ποιεόμε(σ)θα, (ἐ)ποιεύμεσθα

2 (ἐ)ποίεο

3 (ἐ)ποιέοντο,

(ἐ)ποιεῦντο.

VERBS IN -άω.

ACTIVE.

Present.

Indicative.

Sing. 1 ὄράω, ὄροω	2 ὄράς	3 ὄράᾳ
Plur. 1 ὄρόωμεν	2 ὄράατε	
3 ὄρόωσι, δρώωσι.		

Subjunctive.

Sing. ὄρόω, ὄράς, &c.	Optative.
	ὄρόωμι, &c.

Imperfect.

3 Dual, προσανδήτην, ἔασκον (έάω), περάασκον (περάω) iterat.

Participles.

ὄρόων, ὄρόωσα, G. ὄρόωντος.

General Remarks.

άω. The uncontracted forms in *αε*, *αο*, are found only in single words and forms: *α* sometimes becomes *ε* in the Imperf. tenses, as *ηντεον* for *ηνταον*. After contraction the contracted syllable is frequently extended anew, except before a personal ending beginning with *τ*. Thus:—

For *ā*, *ā* Homer uses *ἄā*, *ἄā*: as *μενοινā'ā* = *μενοινā'ā*, *μάāσθαι* = *μνάσθαι*, *δράασθαι* = *δράσθαι*.

For $\tilde{\omega}$ Homer uses $\omega\omega$, $\omega\omega$: as $\delta\rho\delta\omega = \delta\rho\tilde{\omega}$, $\delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\omega\sigma\iota = \delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\sigma\iota$.

$\tilde{\omega}$ „ $\omega\varphi$, $\omega\omega\iota$: as $\delta\rho\delta\omega\mu\iota = \delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\mu$, $\delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\omega\iota\mu = \delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\mu$.

Note. $\alpha\epsilon$ „ η in 3rd dual of some verbs: so $\delta\rho\eta\omega\iota = \delta\rho\tilde{\omega}\tilde{\omega}$ for $\delta\rho\alpha\epsilon\omega\iota$.

$\omega\eta$ „ ω in verbs in $\omega\alpha\omega$.

$\acute{\omega}$. The forms in which ϵ is followed by ω , φ , η , ψ , $\omega\iota$, $\omega\nu$, are not always contracted: as $\phi\iota\lambda\epsilon\omega\mu\epsilon\nu$, $\phi\iota\lambda\epsilon\omega\mu\iota$, &c.

The other forms remain either open or are contracted as the verse requires. $\epsilon\omega$ may become $\epsilon\nu$: as $\gamma\acute{\epsilon}\nu\epsilon\nu$, $\acute{\alpha}\acute{\nu}\tau\epsilon\omega\nu$, or, even when uncontracted, may be monosyllabic by synizesis.

ϵ becomes $\epsilon\iota$ sometimes: as $\phi\iota\lambda\epsilon\omega = \phi\iota\lambda\tilde{\omega}$.

$\epsilon\iota$ „ $\epsilon\iota$, or one ϵ is elided: as $\mu\nu\theta\epsilon\iota\omega$ or $\mu\nu\theta\tilde{\epsilon}\omega = \mu\nu\theta\tilde{\epsilon}\epsilon\omega$.

$\epsilon\epsilon$ „ η sometimes in the 3rd Dual: as $\delta\mu\alpha\tau\eta\tau\eta\omega$, $\grave{\alpha}\pi\epsilon\lambda\eta\tau\eta\omega$.

$\acute{\omega}$. Verbs in $\acute{\omega}\omega$ either—

(1) Follow the common rules of contraction;

(2) Do not take the contracted form, but lengthen ω into $\omega\omega$, and thus resemble the forms of verbs in $\acute{\omega}\omega$, as $\grave{\alpha}\rho\acute{\omega}\omega\eta\tau\omega\iota$; or

(3) Extend $\omega\omega$ into $\omega\omega$, as $\grave{\alpha}\rho\acute{\omega}\omega\sigma\iota = \grave{\alpha}\rho\acute{\omega}\omega\eta\tau\omega\iota = \grave{\alpha}\rho\acute{\omega}\omega\eta\tau\omega\sigma\iota$ $\omega\omega$ „ $\omega\varphi$, as $\delta\eta\acute{\omega}\omega\mu\iota = \delta\eta\acute{\omega}\omega\eta\tau\omega\iota = \delta\eta\acute{\omega}\omega\eta\tau\omega\sigma\iota$.

Obs.—The extended form $\omega\omega$ is limited to cases in which $\omega\omega$ or $\omega\omega$ is followed by two consonants.

VERBS IN *-μι*.

The 2 pers. sing. *Pres. Indic. Act.* has the ending *-σθα* : as *τίθησθα* for *τίθης*, *δίδοϊσθα* for *δίδως*.

The 3 sing. *Subj.* has *-σι* : as *ἰστῆσι* for *ἰστῆ*, *διδῶσι* for *διδῶς*.

In the 2 and 3 sing. *Pres.* and *Impf.* forms from *-έω* and *-όω* are found : as *ἐτίθει* for *ἐτίθη*, *διδοῖς* for *διδῶς*.

In the 3 plur. *Impf.* and 2 *Aor.* the endings are shortened thus :—

- εσαν to -εν : as *ἐτίθεν* = *ἐτίθεσαν*, *ἴθεν* = *ἴθεσαν*.
- ησαν, -αν : as *ἴσταν* = *ἴστησαν*, *βάν* = *ἴβησαν*.
- οσαν } , -ον : as *ἴδιδον* = *ἴδιδοσαν*, *ἴδον* = *ἴδοσαν*.
- υσαν , -ύν : as *ἴφυν* = *ἴφυσαν*.

Homer rejects *σ* in the 2 Sing. *Imperative Pres.* and 2 *Aor. Mid.* : as *δαίννο* for *δαίνυσο*.

A short stem-vowel is lengthened before the personal endings beginning with *μ* or *ν*, to suit the verse : as *τίθημενος* for *τίθέμενος*, *διδοῦναι* for *διδόναι*, *ἴληθι* for *ἴλαθι*.

The 2 sing. Imper. Pres. of *ἴστημι* is in Homer *ἴστη*, not *ἴσταθι*.

The following forms of the Aor. 2 Subj. are used by Homer :—

Contracted form.	Extended form.
Attic.	Homeric.
Sing. 1 <i>στῶ</i>	<i>στήω</i>
2 <i>στῆς</i>	<i>στίης</i>
3 <i>στῆ</i>	<i>στήθ, ἐμβήθ, φήθ, φθήθ</i>

Dual	<i>στῆτον</i>	<i>παρστήτον</i>
Plur.	1 <i>στῶμεν</i>	<i>στέωμεν, στείομεν</i>
	2 <i>στῆτε</i>	<i>στήτετε</i>
	3 <i>στῶσι</i>	<i>στείωσι</i>
Sing.	1 <i>θῶ</i>	<i>θείω, δαμείω</i>
	2 <i>θῆς</i>	<i>θείης (θήης)</i>
	3 <i>θῆ</i>	<i>θείη, ἀνήη, μεθείη</i>
Dual	<i>θῆτον</i>	<i>θείετον</i>
Plur.	1 <i>θῶμεν</i>	<i>θέωμεν, θείομεν</i>
	2 <i>θῆτε</i>	<i>(δαμείτε) θείετε</i>
	3 <i>θῶσι</i>	<i>θέωσι, θείωσι</i>
Sing.	1. <i>δῶ</i>	<i>δῶ</i>
	2 <i>δῆς</i>	<i>δῆς</i>
	3 <i>δῆ</i>	<i>δώη, δώησι</i>
Plur.	1 <i>δῶμεν</i>	<i>δῶμεν, δώομεν</i>
	3 <i>δῶσι</i>	<i>δῶσι, δώωσι.</i>

εἰμί.

The following Homeric forms differ from the Attic :—

Present.

Indic. Sing.	2 <i>ἐσσί, εῖς</i>	Plur.	1 <i>εἰμέν</i>
			3 <i>ἔασι</i>
Subj. Sing.	1 <i>ἔω, εἴω</i>	Plur.	3 <i>ἔωσι</i>
	3 <i>ἔρσιν, ἔη, ὕσιν</i>		
Opt. Sing.	2 <i>ἔοις</i>	Plur.	2 <i>εἴτ'</i>
	3 <i>ἔοι</i>		

Imper. Sing. 2 ἔσσο

Infin. ἔμεναι, ἔμμεναι, ἔμεν, ἔμμεν
 Parto. ἔων, ἔοῦσα, ἔόν.

Imperfect.

Sing. 1 ἔα, ἔ', ἔα, ἔον, ἔην, ἔσκον

2 ἔησθα, ἔσθα

3 ἔην, ἔην, ἔεν, ἔσκε

Plur. 3 ἔσαν, ἔλατο

Future.

Indic. Sing. 1 ἔσσομαι

2 ἔσεαι, ἔσσεαι, ἔσση

3 ἔσσεται, ἔσσεται, ἔσσεται

Plur. 1 ἔσόμεσθα

2 ἔσσεσθε

3 ἔσσονται

Infin. ἔσσεσθαι

Partc. ἔσσόμενος.

THE ARTICLE.

Besides the usual forms, Homer has :—

Sing.

Plur.

N. τοί, ταί = οἱ, αἱ

G. τοῖο = τοῦ

G. τάων = τῶν

D. τοῖσι = τοῖς

Dual.

G. D. τοῖν = τοῖν

ταῖσι

τῆσι

τῆς

ταῖσι
τῆσι
τῆς } = ταῖς.

τοῖσδεσι, τοῖσδεσσι } = τοῖσδε from δδε.

τοισίδε

Words in Homer which have lost an initial consonant or consonants as indicated by the metre and cognate languages.

1. Words which have lost the digamma :—

ἄγνυμ	ἔίσκω	ἔτος
ἀλῆναι	ἔκας	ἡχέω
ἄλις	ἔκαστος	ἡχή
ἄναξ	ἔλικωπις	ἡχήεις
ἀνάσσω	ἔλιξ	ἰαχή
ἄρνες	ἔλισσω	ἰάχω
ἄστυ	ἔλπις	ἴκελος
ἴαρ	ἔλπω	ἴον
ἴθυος	ἔλπωρή	ἴς
ἴδος	ἔλωρ	ἴσος
[ἴδω]	ἔννυμ	ἴστωρ
ἴδωλον	ἴοικα	ἴτέα
ἴκελος	ἴπος	ἴτυς
ἴκοσι	ἴργον	ἴφι
[ἴκω]	ἴρδω	οίδα
ἴλλαρ	ἴρινεός	οἰκέω
ἴλέω	ἴρρω	οίκος
ἴλλω	ἴσθής	οίνος
ἴλσαι	ἴσθος	οίνοψ
ἴλμα	ἴσπέρα	ὸπί
ἴπειν	ἴσπερος	ούλος.
	ἴτης	

Doubtful are : ἀλῶναι, ἄραιός, ἄρδω, ἄριστον, ἔδνα, ἔθειραι, ἔκηλος, ἔκητι, ἔκών, ἔρέω, ἔρύνω, ἔτώσιος, ἥθος, ἥκα, ἥλος, ἥνοψ, ἥρα, "Ἡρη," Ἰλιος, ἰονθάς, Ἰπες, "Ιρις, ἰωή, ἰωκή, οὐλαμός, ὄλξ.

2. Words which have lost the digamma before a consonant are : ρήγνυμ, ρέζω, ρήτός, ρύομαι.

3. Words which have lost both the digamma and a sigma preceding it are : ἀνδάνω, ἔθω, εἴωθα, ἔκυρός (cf. Lat. *socer*), ἥδύς, ἥδομαι, and the pronominal forms, ἔο, οῖ, ἔ, and some others.

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